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TERRITORY IN SUIT AGAINST RAPID TRANSIT

In Name of Attorney-general,
Court is Asked to Allow In-
junction Against Further
Stock Issuance, Which is
Declared to Be Illegal

ACTION FOLLOWS ATTITUDE
OF GOVERNOR IN REFUSING
TO O. K. FRANCHISE BILL

Two-year Limit For Congress-
sional Action on Desired Ex-
tension Expired Last Night
and Today's Action Followed—
Stainback Charges the
Stock Was "Watered" to
Avoid Paying Territory Out
of Profits of the Company

A new angle was given today with
startling suddenness to the Rapid
Transit franchise situation.

Through the filing of a suit late to-
day to enjoin the Honolulu Rapid
Transit & Land Company from further
increasing its capital stock, the Ter-
ritory of Hawaii started what may be
a long and bitter fight in the courts of
both the territory and the United
States against the street car company.
Charges that the actual value of all
the properties of the company is not
in excess of \$795,407; that stock to the
amount of \$1,207,500, par value, is now
outstanding and that the company pro-
poses further to increase the stock to
\$1,600,000 and will do so unless re-
strained by court injunction, are made
in the complaint filed in Circuit court.
The gist of the whole matter is that
the street car company, to avoid pay-
ing a per centum of its profits to the
territory, has "watered" the stock so as
not to exceed the dividend limit of its
franchise, explained Attorney General
Stainback, and they plan to do so fur-
ther "water" this stock, so as to bring
it up to \$1,600,000 in capital. This,
it is claimed, would enable them to
pay dividends on the stock, and re-
turn the profits to the company, and
avoid paying the territory its share.

Reason for Sudden Action.
The reason for the untimely filing
of this suit today is briefly this: At
its recent last session the two years
has elapsed in which, under the pend-
ing Rapid Transit franchise extension
bill, Congress could act.

Under that bill passed by the ter-
ritorial legislature and made law just
two years ago, Congress was asked to
extend the franchise. If Congress
should not act within two years, under
the terms of the bill the matter would
automatically lapse.

Two years have passed and Congress
took no action. The governor, who, it
is recognized, it supporting this legal
move by the territory and is generally
credited with being its prime advo-
cate, is said to feel morally as well as
legally free to secure some sort of
action.

The bill for injunction.
The suit is made in equity in the
name of the territory, through Ingram
M. Stainback, attorney-general, and is
a bill for injunction. It asks for a
temporary restraining order to prevent
the issuance of additional stock by the
company and pleads for a permanent
injunction after the hearing of the
suit. The complaint is as follows:

"To the Honorable the presiding judge,
"At Chambers of the Circuit Court
of the First Judicial Circuit, Ter-
ritory of Hawaii.
"Comes now the territory of Hawaii,
by Ingram M. Stainback, its attorney
general, and complaining of the Hon-
olulu Rapid Transit & Land Company,

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MIDDIES BEGIN TRIP TO COAST EARLY IN JUNE

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless]
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 30.—
The midshipment at the Navy Acad-
emy at Annapolis will begin their
long cruise to the Pacific coast, by
way of the Panama canal, on June 6,
according to an announcement made
today at the office of the secretary
of the navy.

The battleships Missouri, Ohio and
Wisconsin, under Admiral Fullam,
will be utilized for the long training
cruise. Leaving Annapolis June 6,
the three battleships will arrive at
Colon June 16, Magdalena Bay June
30, San Diego July 3, and will reach
San Francisco, their most northern
port of call, on July 8.

They will sail on their return trip
on July 22, touch at Los Angeles July
26, and reach Annapolis again on Aug-
ust 30.

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REPORT GERMANS DROP BOMBS ON AMERICAN STEAMER

May-Day Features to be Given on Punahou Campus by 800 Happy Kiddies



May day fete, the children's hour,
comes tomorrow afternoon with a
rustle of butterfly wings and the
buzz of the bee as 800 Honolulu lit-
tle ones, many of them in costumes
of their own making, dance to the mu-
sic on the green of Punahou's campus
or scamper after Mab, their queen.
Costumes made by childish hands
and the products of childhood imagi-
nation will be the most distinguish-
ing feature of the fete over occasions
of former years. Pa-u riders and In-
dians, blooming flowers and fairies
will be in the parade of the kindergar-
ten children.
Flowers will be on sale at the
booths, as will also fancy articles,
delicacies, candy, ice cream and
cold drinks. The committee has ar-
ranged the afternoon program so that
spectators may obtain refreshments
on the grounds while the dances are
going on.
The gates will be opened at 2
o'clock, the program being at 3. Ad-
mission to the grounds is to be 25
cents and seats in the semi-circle,
where the dance will be conducted,
will be 25 cents extra. Autos will be
given parking for \$1 per machine.



Benefits go to the Free Kindergarten
and the Children's Aid Association.
The committees in charge of the
fete are the following:
Entertainment—Miss Helen Alexan-
der, Madames H. C. Coleman, M. Phil-
lips, A. M. Brown, Ismay Stubbs and
Miss Charlotte Hall.
Sub-committees: Supervisors and
decoration of grounds—Miss Helen
Alexander.
Program—Miss Frances Lawrence.
Printing and sale of tickets—Mrs.
M. Phillips.
Publicity—Miss Ermine Cross.
Flowers—Mrs. W. H. Babbitt.
Fancy articles—Mrs. E. A. R. Ross.
Delicacies—Miss Pauline Schae-
fer and Mrs. A. E. Murphy.
Candy—Miss Charlotte Hall and
Miss Mary Fraser.
Ice Cream—Mrs. Ismay Stubbs and
Mrs. A. M. Brown.
Lemonades and iced tea—Mrs. Wel-
les Peterson.
Booths and designs—L. Y. Correth-
ers.
Others who helped in the arrange-
ments are Mesdames Wisner, Cruck-
shank, Thomas and Cutts.

U. S. EXPECTED TO ASK A MODIFICATION OF DEMANDS: BRYAN AND CHINDA CONFER

[Associated Press Cable]
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 30.—Baron Satemi Chinda,
Japanese ambassador, and Secretary of State Bryan were in
conference today presumably upon the situation which has
developed out of the reappearance of the original Japanese
demands upon China in a somewhat modified form. This, it
is believed, is bringing explanations from Japan.

While there is no inkling as to the course of the United
States in this critical situation, observers familiar with Ameri-
can policy believe that further modifications perhaps will be
urged by the United States before the demands can be con-
sidered as not affecting the administrative independence of
China.

HALSEY THOUGHT TO HAVE ORDERS ABOUT PASSPORTS

Federal Inspector Believed to
Be Looking Into Chinese
Situation

Although Inspector of Immigration
Halsey will make no statement today
regarding the possible investigation
of the passport trouble between the
local Chinese consul and Chinese res-
idents, information coming from
Washington to Chinese in Honolulu
leads to the belief that the inspector
has received instructions to investi-
gate the matter.

The Chinese say that Consul Woo-
huan has no right to make political
affiliation the basis for issuing or deny-
ing passports.

"Suppose," said one Chinese today,
"you were a Republican and went to
the present Democratic administra-
tion for a passport to China, would
you feel that the party in power could
be justified in demanding that you
switch over to the Democratic party
before the passport would be forth-
coming?"

"That is what Woo-huan is doing.
He refuses to issue a passport to any
Chinese who will not forswear all af-
filiations with the Nationalist party.
He calls us rebels. Are the Republi-
cans rebels now that they are not
in power?"

SUGAR

SAN FRANCISCO, April 29.—Sugar,
96 degree test, 4.8 cents. Previous
quotation, 4.77 cents.

JAPANESE AID RELIEF.

Local Japanese have raised \$325.30
for the relief fund of the F-4. Con-
tributions are still coming into the
Japanese fund.

TWO EXPLOSIVES HURLED AT VESSEL FLYING FLAG AND WITH NAME ON ITS SIDES

No Damage Done By Teuton Airmen, According to Reports
Reaching Rotterdam—More Victims of Submarines in North
Sea—Turkey Declares Allies Repulsed at Dardanelles—
Massacre of Christians in Armenia Renewed

[Associated Press Cable]
LONDON, England, April 30.—A Rotterdam Reuter's
despatch reports that the steamer Cushing, which sailed from
Philadelphia on April 11, has arrived bringing the news that
she was attacked by German aviators in the North Sea.

Two bombs are alleged to have been dropped by the air-
men, the vessel being undamaged.

The Cushing was flying the American flag at the time, with
her name displayed on her sides in huge letters.

Wholesale Massacre of Christians In Trans-Caucasia is Reported

JULFA, Trans-Caucasia, Turkey, April 30.—A renewal of
the recent massacre of Christians in Armenia is progressing
in the entire district of Lake Van. The massacre is said to be
horrible, whole villages, men, women and children, being
wiped out.

German Submarines Still Exacting Toll From Vessels in North Sea

LONDON, England, April 30.—A British vessel, torpedoed
last night, has been identified as the Mobile, carrying coal.
The trawler Lily Dale has been sunk by a submarine in
the North Sea. The crews of both these vessels are safe.

Constantinople Declares Allies Beaten Back; Warships Damaged

CONSTANTINOPLE, Turkey, April 30.—The attacking
troops on both sides of the Dardanelles straits, excepting the
forces at Gaba Tepe, have been driven away.
Several warships and transports of the Allies have been
damaged by the fire from Turkish forts.

RECORD RAIN ON MAUI DISASTROUS TO CANE FIELDS

Roads and Bridges Damaged
In Tremendous Downpour
Sweeping Valley Isle

[Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence]
WAILUKU, April 29.—On Tuesday
of this week Maui was visited by
the heaviest rainfall that old inhabi-
tants have ever known. The rain be-
gan to fall about 5:30 in the morning,
but between about 6:45 and 9:30 by
actual measurement there fell 24 and
30-100ths inches. This measure-
ment was taken by the rain gauge
of the Kaekuku plantation. Maui was
a perfect flood of water. The streets
were impassable, and great quantities
of highway were covered by debris,
sand and gravel. Other portions of
the roads were so badly washed that
traffic was impossible. The ditches
were badly choked and the culvert be-
low the Hana store toward the wharf
was so dangerous that a warning
sign to all teams was placed directly
across the road.

County Engineer Hugh Howell went
on the Claudine to Hana for a brief
tour of inspection. He immediately
got in connection with his overseers
in both directions to find out the ex-
tent of the damage. No bridges were
actually down but it was clearly seen
that the wooden structures now span-
ning the Hana streams would not last
long if many more freshets came
from the mountains. One bridge was
several feet under water. At Kawala
the cement causeway was utterly
impassable, for large portions of
the cement were actually washed
away, leaving great holes in the high-
way.

The Kaekuku plantation suffered
very severely from the storm. Sever-
al large areas of cane were complet-
ely washed out, and bridges and trest-
les on both sides of the plantation
were gone, so that hauling cane to
the mill will be interrupted for some
little time. The sugar room of the
mill was flooded so quickly that noth-
ing could be done and much of the
sugar in bags will have to be remelt-
ed before it can be shipped.
Manager Chalmers estimates that
the damage was between \$5000 and
\$6000. The long piece of track at Ka-
waipapa was hanging just by the rails
in the afternoon of Tuesday, the wa-

ONLY BUOY NOW MARKS SUNKEN SUBMARINE F-4

Last Line Gave Way Last Night
and Scows and Dredge are
Towed Inside Harbor

The sunken submarine F-4 now lies
in the fairway with only a buoy to
mark her position. Shortly after 8
o'clock last night the fourth and last
wire cable that held the boat to the
lifting scow parted and this morning
the scow and dredge Gaylord were
towed into the harbor and moored
alongside the navy dock. Only the
cruiser Maryland and the tender
Alert, of all the sail-away craft on the
job, are left to stand watch over the
grave of the F-4.

The dredge and remaining pontoon-
scow came into the harbor shortly
after 10 o'clock this morning. The
fact that the last line had parted and
that it would be a day or so before
the heavier gear, consisting of wire
cables with chain inserts 90 feet in
length, would be ready for use, decid-
ed the men in charge of salvage op-
erations to bring all the wrecking craft
in shore for minor repairs and adjust-
ments. The Gaylord has been anch-
ored off the harbor for three weeks
past, and both the dredge and the
scows have been subjected to the con-
tinual buffeting of the seas for the
past 10 days. It is necessary to make
certain adjustments, and this is an
excellent time in which to make them.
Every day of the F-4 salvage opera-
tions brings new ideas and plans to
the attention of the men in charge,
and there is a chance that modifica-
tions of the original pontoon and tow-
ing arrangement will be made.

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ter having risen high above the com-
ment piers of the track.
Capt. Bennet of the Claudine re-
ported that one of the most remark-
able sights he had ever seen on the
mountain was visible on Tuesday
afternoon near Hamoa, where for
nearly seven miles it seemed as if
the mountain was one mass of roar-
ing, foaming water, which was rush-
ing to the sea.
The storm was fortunately of short
duration. People generally say that
the heavy rain was a good thing,
bright lightning flashes and heavy
thunder accompanied the downpour.



Gen. Hugh L. Scott, chief of
staff, has won much fame by his
recent settlement of the Plute
Indian uprising in Utah without
recourse to arms. There is said to
be a possibility that he may be
called upon for a mission in
Mexico. Scott, the new chief of
staff of the U. S. army, was born
in 1853 in Kentucky; entered
West Point in 1876; served in
many Indian campaigns; in Cuba
in 1898-1903; governor of the Sulu
Archipelago, in which capacity he
abolished slavery and the slave
trade; superintendent and com-
mandant U. S. military academy.